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Minutes of the 151st meeting, 2:00 P.M., 23 January 1947

PRESENT: Lt. Col. Cook, ID
Lt. Col. Piper, DMI
Lt. Col. Atkinson, A-2
Dr. Quam, JISPB
Dr. Neigs, State Department
Mrs. Cooper, JISPB Secretary

A copy of JANIS 40-1, representing the first JANIS chapter completed on the new printing format, was exhibited to the board members.

Minutes of the 150th meeting were read by the Director and the agenda discussed at this meeting were commented on by him and brought up to date.

1. Participation of Weather Bureau in JANIS program.

JMC memorandum on participation of Weather Bureau was read. Weather Bureau requires transfer of \$45,000 to process basic data for Chapter V of 3 additional JANIS per year. Lt. Col. Atkinson questioned inability of Air Forces Weather Division to complete all the Chapter V's of the required 6 JANIS per year and also discussed the Navy Aerology Section as a possible contributor, but was informed that the Navy Aerology people have insufficient personnel and funds for any contribution other than the topic on Naval Operations which they are continuing to prepare. Suggestion was made by Lt. Col. Piper to reduce scope of Chapter V with a view to enabling Air Forces people to submit 6 JANIS a year. This suggestion to be followed through before submission of JMC letter to Captain Hyde.

2. Relation of JISPB to CIG.

Dr. Quam read a secret, undated memorandum from CIG requesting a report on personnel requirements of JISPB for compiling of basic intelligence handbooks. Dr. Quam followed through on this request by a call to CIG requesting clarification and was informed of the plan to absorb the complete JANIS program, coordinating with it other intelligence programs in the government, such as SID. A preliminary reply to this memorandum, accompanied by charts showing wartime personnel and present personnel, was routed around board table for comments, and was approved for submission to CIG.

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3. 1947 budget for printing JANIS.

(a) Dr. Quam reported on meeting between War and Navy fiscal people, held 14 January 1947 in office of Col. Rice, Pentagon, at which an agreement was reached that the War Department would match the Navy Department contribution toward the 1947 budget for printing JANIS. No 1947 budget had been set up for JANIS or any activity under JCS. JANIS now has \$92,000 to cover printing and binding during remainder of 1947 fiscal year. Effective 1 February 1947, GPO will take over all printing work for JANIS, using Linotype composition and offset printing. A sample of GPO printing was distributed around Board table for inspection by members.

(b) Dr. Quam read memorandum from AMS outlining topics discussed and agreements reached at conference between OCE and JISPS at meeting held 17 January 1947 in office of Col. Milwit. Map printing program for remainder of 1947 fiscal year will be on a non-reimbursable basis.

4. Requests for JANIS from American Geographical Society and from Pan American Airways System for Chapter V.

Previous requests of this type were referred to JIC, who ruled that JANIS was not to be distributed to private institutions. However, Dr. Quam read letter from A.G.S. outlining basis on which they request special consideration. Discussion followed and agreement reached whereby JISPS has no alternative but to acknowledge receipt of letter and facts stressed therein, inasmuch as JIC made decision on this type of request. Suggestion was made that certain civilian employees of the Society be cleared to see JANIS in government agencies.

Letter from Pan American Airways System to be handled in same manner stipulating JIC decision that no JANIS dissemination be made outside of government agencies.

5. Association of American Geographers project for preparation of Geographical Monographs.

In connection with past discussion of feasibility of preparing handbooks similar to British publications, Dr. Quam discussed briefly some of the projects outlined at the recent meeting of the Association of American Geographers in Columbus, Ohio. A proposed series of volumes on world geography similar to the French "Geographie Universelle" were suggested; also that American geographers get out series of geographical studies on various areas since European geographers were unable to promote this project because of lack of funds, etc. A study on the United States would be first of series.

6. State Department as contributor of Chapter VIII, JANIS XII.

Dr. Neils reported that State Department coordination personnel have been working on a plan to secure cooperation of universities on research projects, and had expressed interest in the possibility of getting a project on the cities and towns of Argentina, suitable for use in Chapter VIII. Inasmuch as the Engineers have found it necessary to temporarily postpone preparation of this chapter, agreement was reached to approve a State Department project for this purpose.

7. Progress reports.

Dr. Quan announced resumption of preparing progress reports on JANIS since questions were continuously arising on the progress of JANIS chapters. A set of the December Progress Reports was routed around the Board table and certain statistics commented on. These reports, together with a monthly report of man hours, both within JISPB and from contributors, are submitted to JIC by the 10th of each month.

8. Personnel for JISPB.

Charts and memorandum prepared by Editor in chief and indicating bottlenecks in publishing JANIS resulting from lack of personnel were circulated to Board members for study and discussion. Lt. Col. Atkinson brought up question of necessity for re-editing a chapter when it has been once edited by the contributor. Dr. Quan explained that an important phase of editing done at JISPB was chapter against chapter to discover discrepancies. Suggestion was made by Lt. Col. Atkinson that contributors spend more time in correlating and editing manuscript prior to submission to JISPB to alleviate shortage of editor personnel here.

Summary of JISPB personnel requirements indicated that immediate needs required A-2 to supply one person and ID supply two. Recommendation was made by Lt. Col. Atkinson and agreed to by Lt. Col. Piper to draft memorandum to JTS calling attention to shortage of personnel and stressing that JISPB is at critical stage of being the actual bottleneck in processing of JANIS. Lt. Col. Cook will bring matter to attention of General Chamberlin to solve immediate needs. *at time recommendation is sent to JTS in order to give the General Bureau a view of situation.*

9. [REDACTED]

Lt. Col. Atkinson discussed [REDACTED] which includes everything and more than requirements call for in Chapter III of JANIS 401, and questioned its being completely copied for this purpose. Lt. Col. Piper repeated the basic directive of JISPB whereby the purpose of JANIS is to make available in ONE volume all material needed. The plan to make reference to [REDACTED] throughout the Chapter would also be refuting this directive. Dr. Quan suggested that information be obtained as to the feasibility of obtaining sufficient copies of [REDACTED] to disseminate among all JANIS users. Lt. Col. Cook suggested reproducing [REDACTED] as is and incorporating this material into JANIS. It was pointed out that the [REDACTED] consists of four large volumes. A study of the situation will be made by A-2 and JISPB and brought to the JTS meeting, at which time the problem of reproducing [REDACTED] in its entirety, or summarizing it and using it as a reference, or completely re-writing it for Chapter III, will be discussed.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned.

Louis O. Quan
Director